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**FROM** 

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**SUBJECT** 

Withdrawal from Issue of

Applicant(s)

: Geert Maertens et al

Application No.

: 08/836,075

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The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,180,768 and an issue date of January 30, 2001.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of January 30, 2001:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,180,768 to Geert Maertens et al of EPO for NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS PROPHYLACTIC, THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSITIC AGENTS appearing in the Official Gazette of January 30, 2001 should be deleted since no patent was granted.

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